St Peter's Primary School

What I should already know:

How to build simple repeated patterns.

How to use sketching to make observational drawings.

About the work of a range of artists and their different styles.

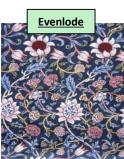
At the end of this topic, I will know:

About the life and work of William Morris including the Arts and Crafts movement.

How to observe and sketch natural objects.

How to experiment and create repeating patterns in the style of William Morris.

How to design a repetitive printing block and create a repeat-pattern print on fabric inspired by William Morris.





Year 5 Art: Printing

Key Facts:

William Morris



A British designer who lived between 1834-1896. Morris was born into a wealthy family in London. His career in design started when he decorated his own home. Morris is most famous for his beautiful and intricate patterns used in wallpaper, textiles and book designs. He had a great impact on the design of churches, houses and furniture in the late 19th and early 20th century. Morris closely observed nature to influence his patterns.

The Arts and Crafts movement

This was a special time during the late 1800s and early 1900s when artists and makers worked very hard to create beautiful, unique and useful things **by hand** using simple and natural materials. They used lots of nature-inspired designs like flowers, leaves and animals in their creations. The movement was a reaction against the perceived decline in standards from machine and factory production. William Morris was a key figure in the Arts and Crafts movement.

Vocabulary The process of making images that can be printing transferred onto other surfaces. block The process of carving patterns, shapes and designs into a 'block' that you then use to printing press onto paper and make a print. It allows a design to be repeated multiple times. Also known as 'relief printing'. A repeated decorative design. pattern motif A recurring theme or pattern found in art. Two matching halves. symmetry

Step 3: Spread your ink/paint,

A child's

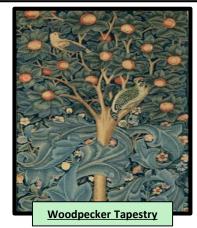
polystyrene-

printed pattern.

Significant works



Morris's most iconic pattern featuring birds stealing strawberries among lush foliage. It's a detailed and vibrant design that showcases his skill in creating nature-inspired artwork.



This tapestry is a stunning example of Morris's work in textile arts. It depicts a woodpecker perched on a fruit tree surrounded by intricate leaves and flowers. The tapestry highlights his mastery of design and the craft of weaving.



One of Morris's earliest wallpaper designs. Trellis features a pattern of roses climbing a wooden trellis. It's inspired by the garden at his home, Red House, and reflects his love for natural and organic forms.

How to print like William Morris

Step 2: Trace it! Hold your drawing in place over the polystyrene & trace it. Press down firmly.

Step 1: Create your design! Using your pencil, draw your picture onto the thin paper.

Things you'll need: Thin paper, card, pencil, polystyrene, printing ink/paint, paint box, paint roller.

your roller to spread it over your polystyrene.

Styrofoam in one corner of your card.

Press your polystyrene on top of the card to print your design. Make sure that you press firmly, so that it

process over your page to create your pattern. If you need to, use a paintbrush to brighten up any faded prints.

prints properly.

Step 4: Position your